

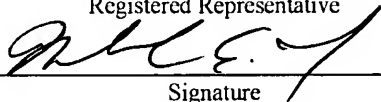
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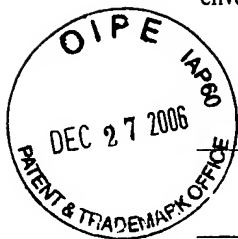
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Case No. 10000/232

Client Reference No. PA-5216-RFB-CON

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Boris Reydel et al.

Serial No: 10/692,310

Examiner: C. Witczak

Filed: October 22, 2003

Group Art Unit: 3767

For: Introducer Apparatus with  
Eversible Sleeve

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated October 11, 2006 for a period of two months.



Applicant:

12/29/2006 WASFAW1 00000035 10692310

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450.00 DP

- ☐ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- ☒ is other than small entity.


	<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

**Fee Payment**

- ☒ Attached is a check for \$450.00 for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 20, 2006

  
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